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## **Full Closure of Cass Street Bridge over the Des Plaines River**

**CHICAGO** – The Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) announced that a full closure will take place on Cass Street (westbound U.S. 30) over the Des Plaines River, in Joliet, beginning, weather permitting, Monday, July 18. The closure is necessary for a bridge painting and cleaning project.

In order to complete the work, the bridge that carries Cass Street westbound over the Des Plaines River will be closed to vehicle and pedestrian traffic until Fall 2016.

A posted detour will direct westbound traffic on Cass Street to follow Illinois 53 north on Scott Street, west on Ruby Street and north on Broadway Street. Motorists should travel west on Theodore Street (Illinois 7) to connect with Plainfield Road (U.S. 30).

The scope of the project includes cleaning and repainting the steel bridge to protect from deterioration. The bridge will be painted at and below the roadway. It is expected to reopen this fall, weather permitting.

Motorists can expect delays and should allow extra time for trips through this area. Drivers are urged to pay close attention to flaggers and signs in the work zones, obey the posted speed limits and be on the alert for workers and equipment.

Click [here](#) to find details on other construction projects in IDOT's District 1. Updates on the impacts to traffic are available at [www.travelmidwest.com](http://www.travelmidwest.com)

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